#### **NEWSLETTER 47 May 2018**

Cover: Rome, 24 April 2018. A meeting of the Camillian Charismatic Family: the men Camillians, the Daughters of St. Camillus, the women Ministers of the Sick, the women Missionaries of 'Christ the Hope', guests of the Handmaidens of the Incarnation.

## The three permanent columns in the consecrated life: prayer, poverty, patience



The key to what I will say is what the Cardinal [Prefect of the Congregation] asked for: authentic criteria to guide us. Because truly, today many things happen and, so as not to lose ourselves in this world, in the fog of worldliness, of provocations, of the spirit of war, many things, we need authentic criteria that guide us. That guide us

in discernment.

Then, there is something else: this Holy Spirit is a disaster [laughter] because He never tires of being creative! Now, with the new forms of consecrated life, He is truly creative, with the charisms... It is interesting: He is the Author of diversity but at the same time the Creator of unity. This is the Holy Spirit. And with this diversity of charisms and many things, He makes the unity of the Body of Christ, and also the unity of consecrated life. And this too is a challenge.

I have wondered: what are the things that the Spirit keeps strong in consecrated life? And my thought flew, wandered ... and the day I went to San Giovanni Rotondo kept coming to mind: I don't know why, but I saw there many consecrated men and women who work ... and I thought of what I said there, of the "three Ps" that I said there. And I said to myself, these are pillars that remain, that are permanent in consecrated life: *prayer*, *poverty*, and *patience*. And I have decided to speak to you about this: what I think prayer is in consecrated life, and then poverty and patience.

*Prayer* is always returning to the first calling. Any prayer, perhaps a prayer in need, but always a return to that Person who called to me. The prayer of a consecrated man or woman is a return to the Lord who invited me to be close to Him. Returning to Him, to He Who looked me in the eyes and said to me: "Come. Leave everything and come" - "But I would like to leave half" (we will speak of this in relation to poverty) - "No, come. Leave everything". And the joy in that moment of leaving the much or the little that we had. Each person knows what he or she has left: leaving one's mother, father, family, a career... It is true that some seek a career "inside", and this is not good. In that moment, I find the Lord Who has called me to follow Him closely. Every prayer is a return to this. And prayer is what makes me work for that Lord, not for my interests or the institution in which I work, no, for the Lord. There is a word that is used a lot, it is used too much and has lost some of its force, but which indicates this well: radicality. I do not like using it because it has been used too much, but it is this: I leave everything for You. It is the smile of the first steps... Then problems arrived, many problems that we all have all had, but it is always about returning to that encounter with the Lord. And prayer, in consecrated life, is the air that calling makes us breathe, renewing that calling. Without this air, we would not be able to be good consecrated persons. We would perhaps be good people, Christians, Catholics engaged in many works of the Church, but consecration has to be renewed continually, in prayer, in an encounter with the Lord. "But I am busy, I have many things to do...".

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#### **CONSTITUTION AND GENERAL STATUTES**

Ringraziamo i confratelli della Provincia di Spagna per la traduzione in spagnolo e la stampa della Costituzione e delle Disposizioni generali.

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Chi avesse necessità, nella sezione "Testi essenziali" può scaricare i testi in formato PDF.

Alle singole province o alla Casa Generalizia può richiedere alcune copie in formato cartaceo.

#### **Rule for Formation. General Guidelines**



You can download the new text of 'Rule for Formation. General Guidelines' in the section of the site for **Essential Texts.** We will soon send out this text in printed form to every community.

#### A call to commemorate the feast of the camillian martyrs of charity - may 25, 2018



Gregorio Guglielmi, San Camillo de Lellis assiste gli appestati, Città del Vaticano, Musei Vaticani

On February 2, 1994, the Order of the Ministers of the Infirm had officially instituted May 25 as the **Day of the Camillian Religious Martyrs of Charity**. The day also commemorates the birth of St. Camillus de Lellis (May 25, 1550).

The Day of the Camillian Religious Martyrs of Charity is a commemoration of the heroic life of more than 300 Camillians (seminarians, oblates,

novices, brothers, and priests) who died in serving the victims of plagues in Italy, Spain, Hungary and Croatia during the first four centuries of the life of the Order. This is an exemplary witnessing of the "fourth vow of the Camillians," that is, service to the sick "even in danger to my own life".

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#### The women Ministers of the Sick of St. Camillus - ROME



On 22 May 2018, at the generalate house of the women Ministers of the Sick in Rome, a solemn Eucharist will be celebrated in honour of the Blessed Maria Domenica Brun Barbantini, the founder of the Institute, on the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of her death.

#### **INVITATION**

#### THE PROVINCE OF SICILY AND NAPLES

The first march-journey for peace in the footsteps of St. Camillus in Manfredonia (1 May 2018)

### PHOTOGRAPHIC GALLERY



On the occasion of the vocational year of the Province, in San Giovanni Rotondo (1-3 June 2018) an INTER-PROVINCIAL WEEKEND OF FORMATION FOR YOUNG MEN IN FORMATION AND YOUNG CAMILLIAN RELIGIOUS HAS BEEN ORGANISED ON THE SUBJECT: 'FOR LOVE, ONLY FOR LOVE. Discerning and acting in the Spirit...the discernment of motivations'.

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#### THE PROVINCE OF THAILANDIA and VIETNAM DELEGATION

On the first of May 2018, it was the celebration of the Camillian Religious of the Province of Thailand. The Provincial Superior has presided the Eucharistic Celebration for various occasions such as the first profession of 8 new brothers, renewal of temporary profession of 15 brothers, admission to the novitiate of 9 novices, admission to postulancy of 3 postulants and admission of new 20 minor seminarians. It shows that the Camillian of Thai Province is growing up and is developing on the vocation. We would like to give thanks to God for the seeds of vocation that you have given to the Thai Province.

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#### **BRAZIL**



On 16-18 July, at the archdiocese of Rio de Janeiro, the first Congress of Catholic Health-Care Institutions in Brazil will be held. The subject of the meeting will be 'The Empowerment and Strengthening of Catholic Health-Care Institutions in Brazil'. Amongst the speakers there will also be Cardinal Peter K.A. Turkson, the Prefect of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development

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# THE PROVINCE OF NORTH ITALY – Camillian pastoral care for young people and vocations



<u>Download here</u> the events organised by the Province of North Italy for the discovery of the spirituality of St. Camillus that will be held at the Camillian communities of Mottinello and Piossasco in June and July 2018.



The project of the vocational team of the Camillian Province of North Italy for the accompanying of young sick people and disabled young people in the veneration of the Turin Shroud, in the context of the synod for young people of October 2018.

#### WATCH THE VIDEO



On 12 June 2018 the Provincial Secretariat for Formation will offer an enrichment of the traditional day of fraternity with a cultural/artistic project involving the discovery – from certain points of view truly unexpected – of the presence of the Camillians in Bergamo, with a guided visit to the Camillian 'memory' in Bergamo and above all in the Church of St. Mark which has Camillian frescoes and bas-reliefs.

**DOWNLOAD HERE** some interesting historical facts.

#### THE CAMILLIAN DELEGATION IN TAIWAN



On 7-12 April 2018 about six hundred priests from throughout the world – the 'missionaries of mercy' – were called to the Vatican for an updating course. Amongst them there was also our Camillian religious Fr. Giuseppe Didoné of Taiwan. Pope Francis welcomed these priests and exhorted them above all else to live the ministry of confession-reconciliation



On 1 April Fr. Giuseppe Didoné met a young Chinaman who is cultivating his wish to become a Camillian. He is finishing his programme of studies in theology. It was suggested to him that he should live for a few months in Taiwan to be able to observe the various aspects of Camillian ministry.

**MEETINGS OF THE ORDER OF CAMILLIANS (2014 – 2020)** 

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#### THE CAMILLIANUM - Rome



call on theology and philosophy.

# Course of advanced formation THE PASTORAL CARE OF TREATMENT AND HEALTH. Edition 2018.

This course, which has an interdisciplinary methodology, has the goal of promoting the Christian culture of treatment and health which places the totality of the human person at the centre of things.

Health involves all the crucial factors of existence: not only the biological factors but also the anthropological, the spiritual, the psychological, the socio-cultural and the economic ones.

The experience of vulnerability raises questions concerning help that find an answer in the socio/health-care field but it also opens up questions of meaning that

This course on the pastoral care of treatment and health is committed to providing conceptual instruments that are suited to promoting pastoral care in health in the contemporary pluralist cultural context, a context that is in need of trust and hope (from the Presentation).

Overall duration of the course: 3 months: 20 hours over 9 weekends, from April to June 2018.

Date by which enrolments must be made: 3 April 2018

#### INTER-CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



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#### THE DIARY OF THE SUPERIOR GENERAL AND THE GENERAL CONSULTA

On 6-20 May 2018 Fr. Leocir Pessini will be on a pastoral visit to the religious of the Camillian communities of the Camillian Province of Poland.

On 10-20 May 2018 Fr. Aris Miranda will visit the religious of the *Camillian Delegation of Haiti* to begin the supervision of a new project for development and promotion in the socio/health-care field for the local population.

Laurent Zoungrana will take part in the general assembly of the *Province of Burkina Faso* (15-18 May 2018)

#### **DECISIONS OF THE GENERAL CONSULTA**

With the agreement of the members of the General Consulta, the Superior General has admitted the following to the perpetual profession of religious vows:

- The temporary professed religious (the Province of Poland) Adam Markowski
- The temporary professed religious (the Province of Rome the community of Chile) **Basil Darker Gaet**
- The temporary professed religious (the Province of Burkina Faso) *Pierre Marie Bulgo*
- The temporary professed religious (the Province of Burkina Faso) *Alain Kabore*
- The temporary professed religious (the Province of Burkina Faso) *Pierre Nare*
- The temporary professed religious (the Province of Burkina Faso) *François Sam*

The following have been admitted to the renewal of their temporary profession beyond the six-year period (in conformity with article n. 83 of the Constitution).

- The temporary professed religious (the Province of Thailand the Delegation of Vietnam) Joseph Tran Duc To
- The temporary professed religious (the Province of Thailand) John Chatchawan Wapeeto

# MEETING OF THE SUPERIOR GENERAL, THE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL CONSULTA AND THE MAJOR SUPERIORS OF THE ORDER IN TAIWAN



#### Lotung, 18-22 June 2018

Together in Asia to learn, to celebrate and to peer into the future, so as to re-motivate the Camillian missionary spirit

Why are we together here in Taiwan? The hope is that this can be a moment to learn and to give thanks at the same time as the sixtieth anniversary of the arrival of the Camillians in China (Taiwan).

- To explore the various social, cultural and religious aspects of this region of Asia.
- To address some special dimensions of Buddhism and its relationship with the Church.
- To foster exchange and fraternity amongst those taking part (the whole of the day of 19 June) in order to assess the potentialities of the presence of the Camillians in Asia: on 19

June 2018 all the Camillian representatives of Asia, of India, Thailand, the Philippines, Vietnam, and Indonesia, with Fr. Luigi Galvani or others, will be invited to present their perspectives on the realities, the challenges and the prospects for the future of the Camillians. Following this there will be an opportunity for an exchange of opinions and strategies.

• To share internal communications about the Order (exchanges about the initiatives of individual Provinces) and the different areas of responsibility of the General Consult (financial administration, formation, secretariat, ministry).

- To present the physiognomy of the Vice-Province of Benin-Togo as we look forward to it acquiring the status of a Province (probably in September 2018).
- To assess the efficacy of the document on inter-Provincial cooperation, given that the sending of Camillian religious 'towards Europe' continues to take place and that it is not always the case that the agreements between the Province that sends and the Province that receives, or simply the Province that hosts the religious in its own area (in this case the religious who are sent work with a diocese), are clear. Indeed, at times they are a source of misunderstanding.

#### **DECEASED RELIGIOUS**

'See, now they vanish, the faces and places, with the self which, as it could, loved them. To become renewed, transfigured, in another pattern' (T.S. Eliot).

# MARTÍN PUERTO MOLINA (1928-2018)



Martín Puerto Molina è nato a Mosqueruela (Teruel) il 19 ottobre 1928. È entrato nell'Ordine camilliano a Vic (Barcellona), il 28 settembre 1940. Ha emesso la professione temporanea a Vic (Barcellona) l'8 settembre 1946, la professione solenne sempre a Vic (Barcellona) il 1 novembre 1950. È stato ordinato sacerdote a Barcellona (in occasione del Congresso Eucaristico) il 31 maggio 1952.

Martín è stato vice maestro degli aspiranti nel seminario minore di Navarrete, dove giunse nel 1953 e dove ritornò come direttore nel 1965.

Nel 1968 è entrato a far parte della delegazione camilliana in Argentina come superiore della casa di Buenos Aires, dove è stato – in seguito – nominato anche parroco della parrocchia di sant'Agnese. È stato

diverse volte superiore delegato dell'Argentina: cappellano dell'ospedale *Durand* di Buenos Aires, direttore del collegio di Vagues e maestro dei novizi della delegazione. Ha partecipato all'equipe *Pallium* di cure palliative.

È morto a *San Antonio de Areco*, alle tre del pomeriggio del 1 maggio 2018, festa di san Giuseppe Lavoratore. Le sue ceneri riposeranno nella parrocchia di san Patrizio di quella città.

Martín era un religioso *di chiesa*. Ha curato con passione l'accompagnamento pastorale personalizzato (ripeteva sovente il tema del "*valore della presenza*"), il servizio corporale, riflessione teologica pastorale rinnovata...

Il Concilio Vaticano II e la Conferenza di Puebla sono state una sfida che ha segnato la sua vita. Lo ricordiamo come una persona aperta nell'ambito del mondo della salute: è sempre stato un *buon samaritano*, mai un *giudice*. Per lui, l'assunzione delle responsabilità significava sofferenza, per il rispetto che nutriva nei confronti del *fratello*.

Si è preparato consapevolmente alla sua *partenza*, con la sua famiglia e con i religiosi, nella sua ultima visita in Spagna. "Ho detto addio a coloro che amo, vado a stare con coloro che hanno dato

un senso alla mia vita" (persone con disabilità). Senza alcuna responsabilità o compito specifico, è tornato a Vagues per completare la sua autenticità vocazionale di camilliano: un mondo in cui è stato coinvolto e amato; un mondo fragile in cui si sentiva amato. Vagues era il posto che ha scelto per la conclusione della sua vita, godendosi il suo essere camilliano. E come ha detto Martín al suo superiore: "La morte è l'ultimo posto che dobbiamo attraversare in silenzio". Riposa in pace!

# SCARICA QUI IL NECROLOGIO SPAGNOLO

Il giorno 27 aprile è morta **Sr Genoveffa MOOLAN**, religiosa Figlia di san Camillo di nazionalità indiana. Aveva 74 anni dei quali 50 di vita religiosa. E' deceduta nella casa Provinciale a Bangalore.

Certa della promessa del Signore di accogliere nella sua pace eterna i suoi servi fedeli, l'affidiamo con piena fiducia nella braccia misericordiose del Padre, per intercessione di Maria.

«Ora vivono in Cristo, che hanno incontrato nella Chiesa, seguito nella nostra vocazione, servito nei malati e sofferenti. Nella fiducia che il Signore, la Vergine Santa nostra Regina, san Camillo – i beati Luigi Tezza e Giuseppina Vannini – e i nostri Confratelli e Consorelle defunti li accoglieranno fra loro, li affidiamo nella preghiera ricordandoli con affetto, stima e gratitudine».

#### PRAYER FOR THE VICTIMSOF ANY DISASTER



For all the victims of disasters, for the persons who lost their lives, for their dear ones, for all survivors, and for all those responding to emergencies, we pray:

Heavenly Father, who created and protected every existence, You know all our sorrows and sufferings. May all those victims of disasters be received in your peace. Receive us in your mercy as we pray all our brothers and sisters who had been buried by the forces precipitated by nature. Bring them to your home. Console the pains of the many families; wipe out the tears of our brothers and sisters; protect the solitude of the many orphans.

Fill us with your courage so that the pain will become a path of growth and hope. Awaken the hearts of all Christians and of men and women of goodwill, who desire to commit themselves so that the wounds of those who suffer from these calamities will experience the comfort of fraternal solidarity,

You who lives and reigns forever and ever. *AMEN*.

Our Father, the Hail Mary, Gloria